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The Honorable Jocelyn Boyd Chief Clerk and Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Re: Friends of the Earth and Sierra Club, Complainant/Petitioner v. South Carolina

Electric & Gas Company, Defendant/Respondent

Docket No. 2017-207-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Attached for filing please find South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's Answer and Motion to Dismiss for the matter cited above.

As set forth in the Motion to Dismiss, the company is requesting that the Commission:

- 1. Suspend the pre-filing deadlines in this case that were set forth in the Standing Hearing Officer Directive dated July 6, 2017, Order No. 44- H, and;
- 2. Suspend all deadlines associated with discovery in this matter.

SCE&G requests that the Commission issue new deadlines only if needed once the motion to dismiss is resolved.

If you have any questions regarding these matters, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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